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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of September 23, 2004, please  
amend the application as follows: